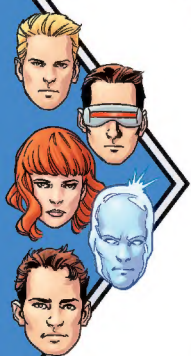


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# X-MEN BLUE



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# X-MEN

## BLUE

DISPLACED IN TIME, THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, BEAST, ICEMAN AND ANGEL--HAVE COME TOGETHER ONCE MORE TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT THOUGH MANY THINGS HAVE CHANGED, ONE CONSTANT REMAINS: THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

### PREVIOUSLY IN **X-MEN BLUE...**

THE X-MEN HAVE ALIGNED THEMSELVES WITH THEIR FORMER ARCHENEMY, MAGNETO, AND ARE OPERATING IN SECRET OUT OF A BASE ON THE ISLAND NATION OF MADRIPOOR. SO FAR, THE X-MEN HAVE TAKEN DOWN BLACK TOM CASSIDY, JUGGERNAUT AND A GROUP OF "MUTANT" SENTINELS LED BY LONGTIME X-MEN ADVERSARY, BASTION.

THEY'VE DONE GOOD WORK TOGETHER, DESPITE FRICTION EXISTING BETWEEN TEAMMATES. REPORTS THAT A CREATURE IS HUNTING AND KILLING FOLKS IN THE MOUNTAINS OF COLORADO MEAN THAT THE JET-SETTING X-MEN ARE OFF AGAIN...

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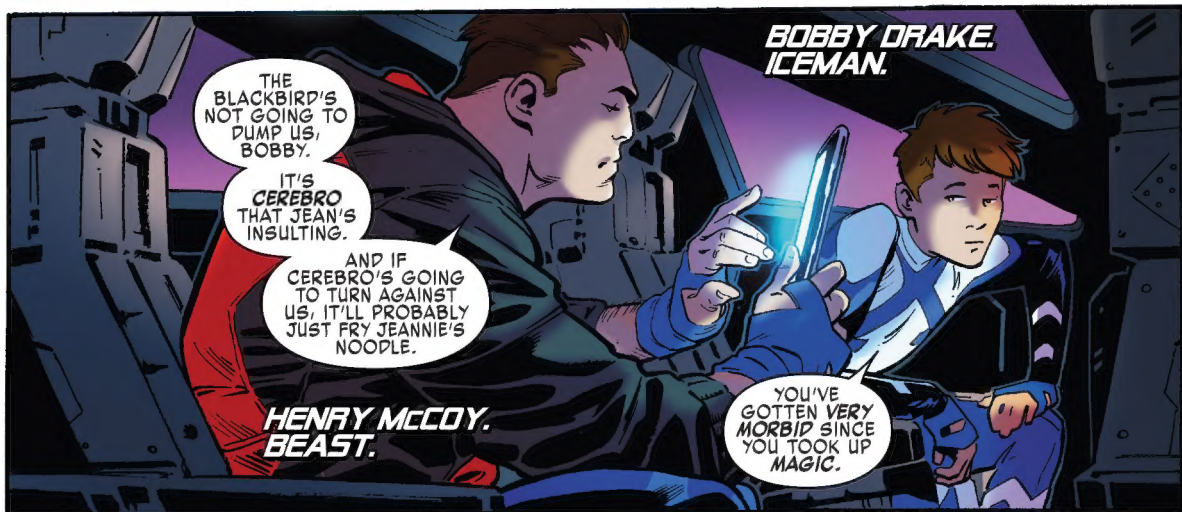
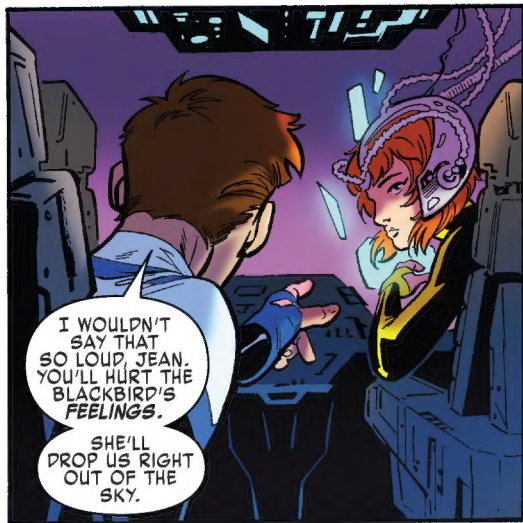
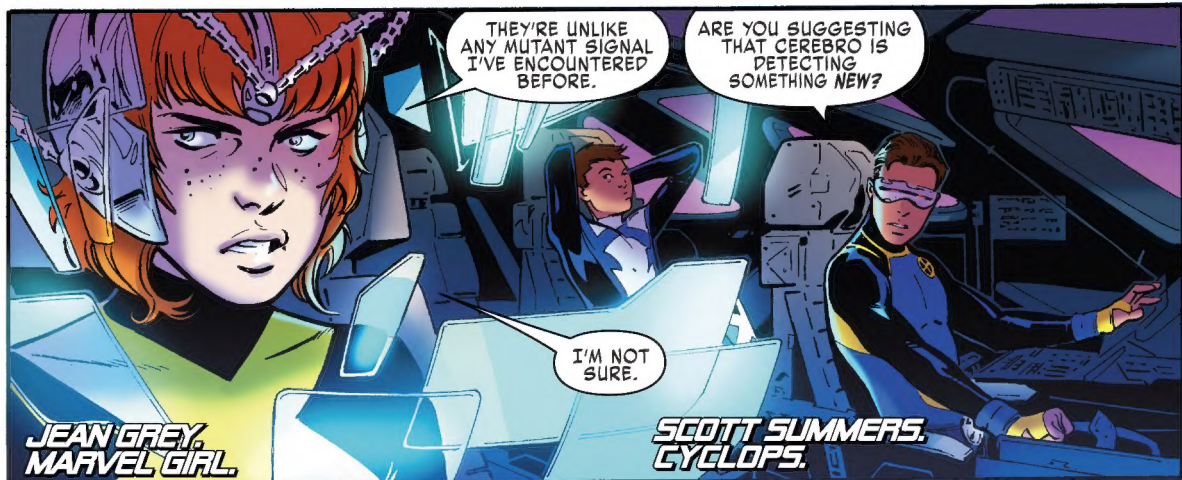
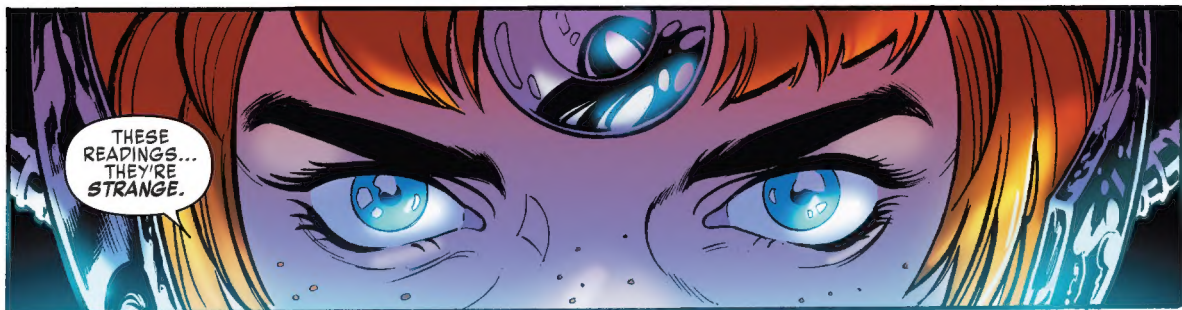
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**ARROW RIDGE,  
COLORADO.**



WELL, IT'S  
COLD.

BIG  
BABIES.

EASY FOR  
YOU TO SAY,  
ICEMAN.

IF IT'S  
ALL THE SAME  
TO YOU, LET'S  
FIND THIS MUTANT  
AND GET BACK TO  
MADRIPOOR BEFORE  
WE ALL LOOK  
LIKE HUMAN  
POPSICLES.

ANGEL--  
DID YOU SPOT  
ANYTHING?

TREES ARE  
OBSCURING  
MY LINE OF  
SIGHT.

DIDN'T  
WANT TO  
FLY TOO CLOSE  
BECAUSE--  
Y'KNOW--FLAME  
WINGS.

**WARREN  
WORTHINGTON III.  
ANGEL.**



GOOD  
POINT.

SET DOWN  
AND JOIN THE  
REST OF US IN THE  
LAND OF FROZEN  
TOES.

I'LL DO A  
PSI-SWEEP.



MAYBE  
I CAN PICK  
UP--





I'VE  
SEEN THAT...  
THING...TAKE SOME  
CATASTROPHIC  
DAMAGE AND  
COME BACK  
FOR MORE.

THERE'S  
NO TELLING  
WHEN IT WILL JUMP  
BACK UP AND  
COME BACK TO  
LIFE.



UH...HEY.

I'M  
GUESSING  
YOU'RE THE DEPUTY  
SHERIFF AROUND  
HERE--

SHERIFF,  
ACTUALLY.



ALTHOUGH...  
I DON'T  
KNOW.

I MAY BE  
OUT OF MY  
JURISDICTION  
AT THIS  
POINT.



WE'RE THE X-MEN.  
I'M WARREN...  
ANGEL.

I KNOW WHO YOU  
ARE. I'VE SEEN  
YOU ON TV.

YOUR  
WINGS--

THEY'RE  
PRETTY  
AMAZING,  
RIGHT?



NO.

THEY'RE  
CAUSING THE  
SNOW TO MELT  
AND DRIP ON  
US.

THINK YOU  
COULD TAKE A  
STEP OR TWO  
BACK?



MY  
NAME'S  
KIRA  
LEE.

I THINK  
I KNOW  
WHY YOU'RE  
HERE.





YOU'RE  
LOOKING FOR  
HIM, AREN'T  
YOU?

THE ONE  
WHO DID  
THIS.

HE'S  
ONE OF  
YOU...AN  
X-MAN.



NO.

WE'RE  
LOOKING FOR A  
MUTANT, LIKE US,  
BUT WHOEVER HE  
IS, HE'S NOT AN  
X-MAN.

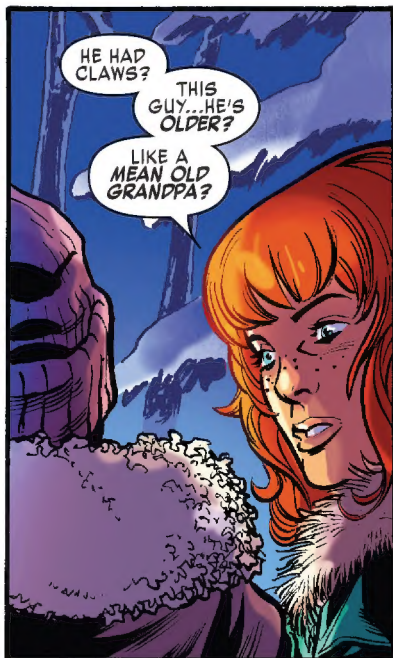
ARE YOU  
SURE?

BECAUSE  
I'VE SEEN HIM,  
TOO, ON THE  
NEWS.

HE'S  
THE GUY  
WITH THE  
CLAWS.



CLAWS?



HE HAD  
CLAWS?

THIS  
GUY...HE'S  
OLDER?

LIKE A  
MEAN OLD  
GRANDPA?



YES  
TO THE  
CLAWS.

YES  
TO THE  
MEAN.

NO  
TO THE  
GRANDPA.

HE WAS  
YOUNG.



I'VE BEEN  
TRACKING HIM  
FOR A FEW  
DAYS NOW.

I  
THINK HE'S  
NEARBY.









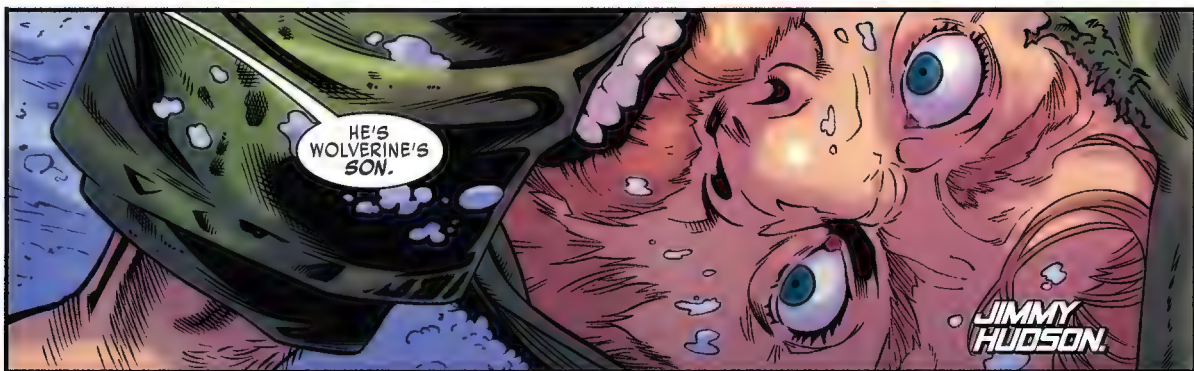
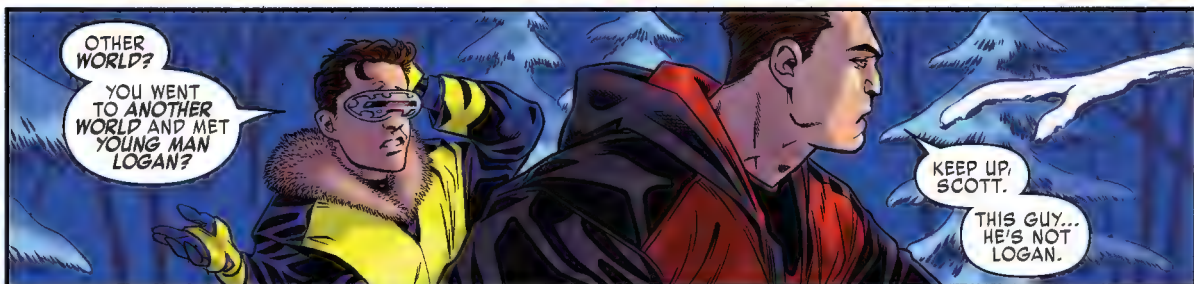
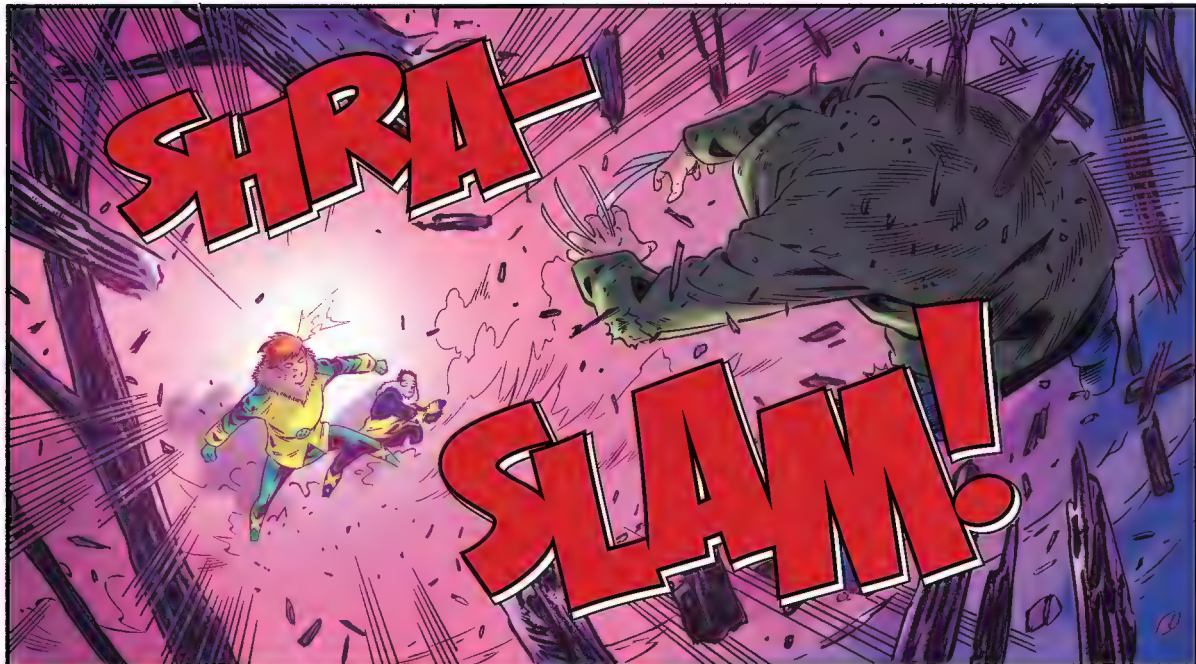
























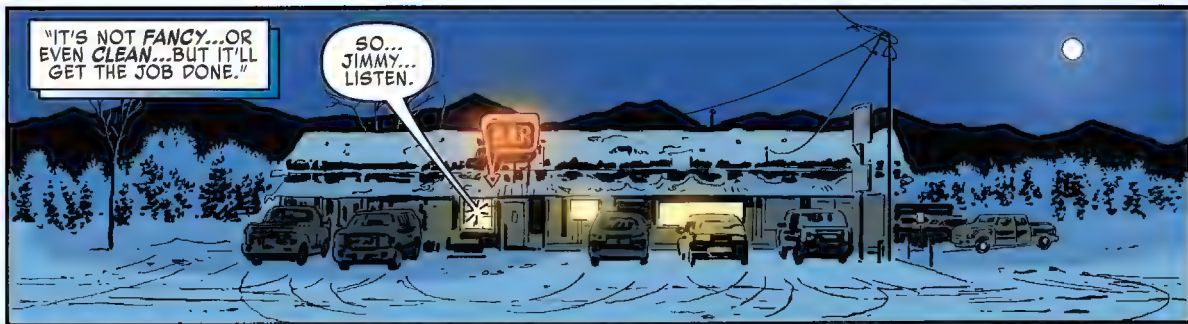












"IT'S NOT FANCY...OR  
EVEN CLEAN...BUT IT'LL  
GET THE JOB DONE."

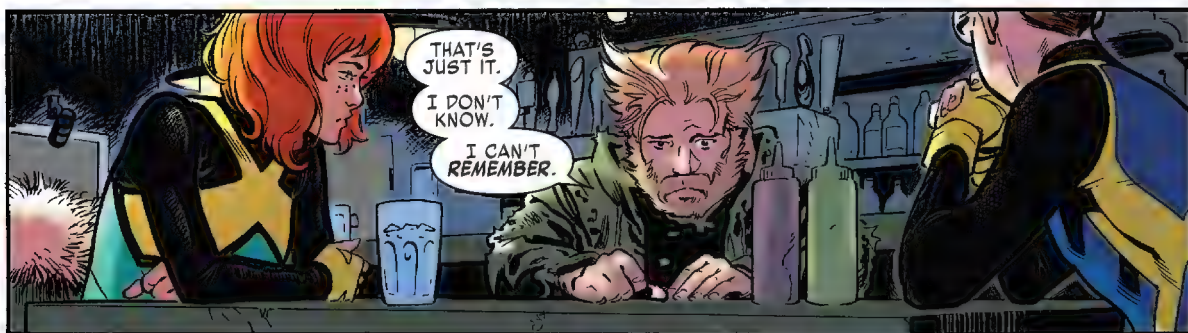
SO...  
JIMMY...  
LISTEN.



WHEN  
YOU ATTACKED  
US...

...YOU  
THOUGHT WE  
WERE TRYING TO  
TAKE YOU  
SOMEPLACE.

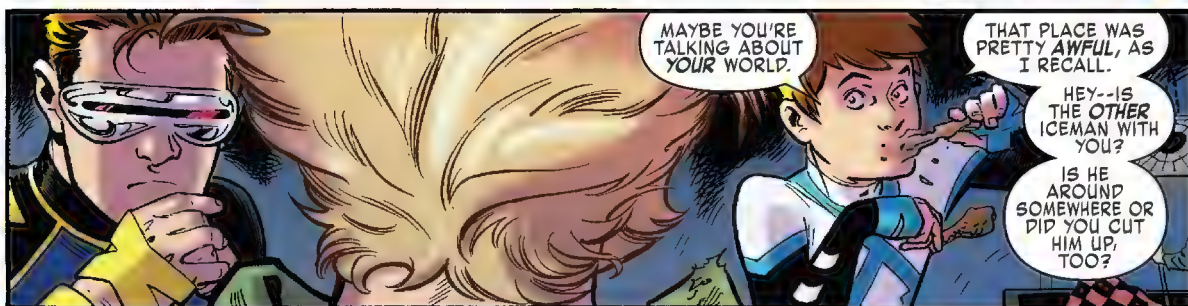
WHERE?



THAT'S  
JUST IT.

I DON'T  
KNOW.

I CAN'T  
REMEMBER.

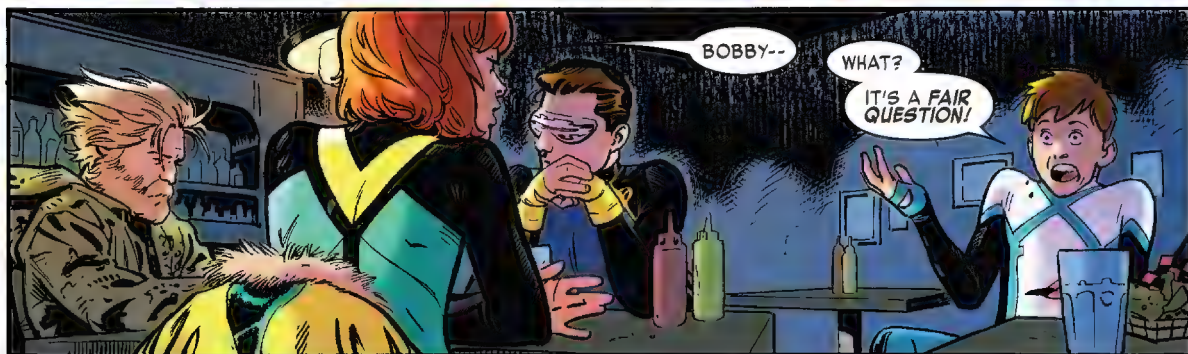


MAYBE YOU'RE  
TALKING ABOUT  
YOUR WORLD.

THAT PLACE WAS  
PRETTY AWFUL, AS  
I RECALL.

HEY--IS  
THE OTHER  
ICEMAN WITH  
YOU?

IS HE  
AROUND  
SOMEWHERE OR  
DID YOU CUT  
HIM UP,  
TOO?

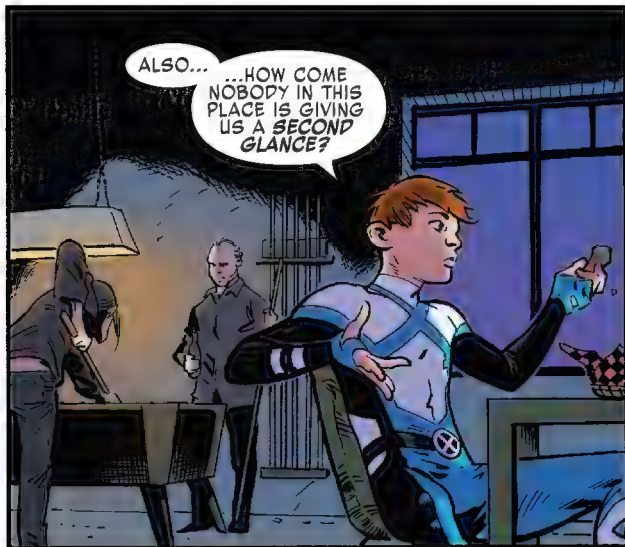


BOBBY--

WHAT?

IT'S A FAIR  
QUESTION!





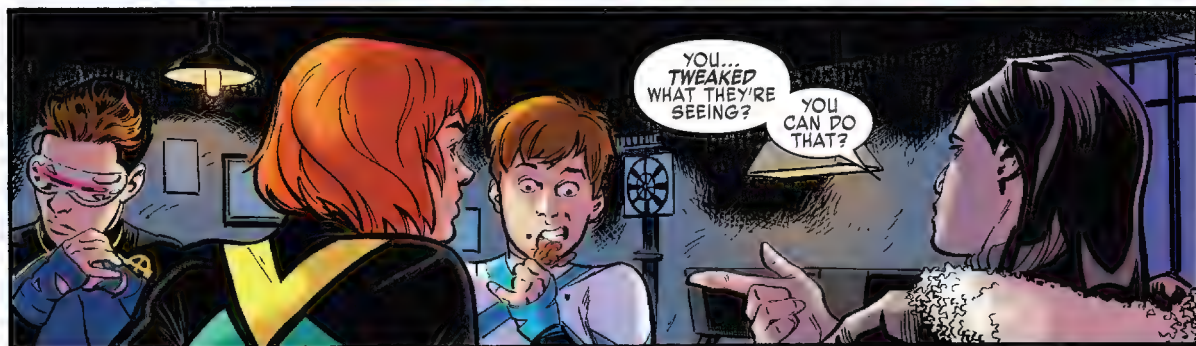
ALSO...  
...HOW COME  
NOBODY IN THIS  
PLACE IS GIVING  
US A **SECOND**  
GLANCE?



DON'T  
SWEAT  
IT.

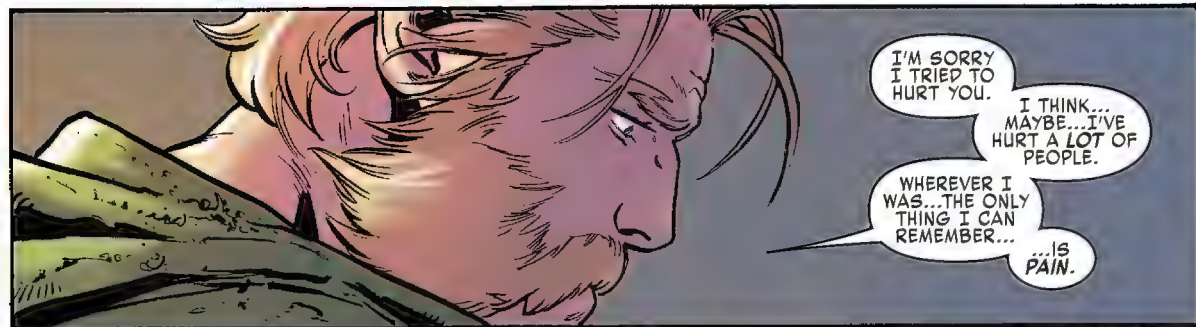
I'VE  
TWEAKED THE  
PERCEPTIONS OF  
ALL THE OTHER  
PATRONS.

WE FIT  
IN JUST  
FINE.



YOU...  
TWEAKED  
WHAT THEY'RE  
SEEING?

YOU  
CAN DO  
THAT?

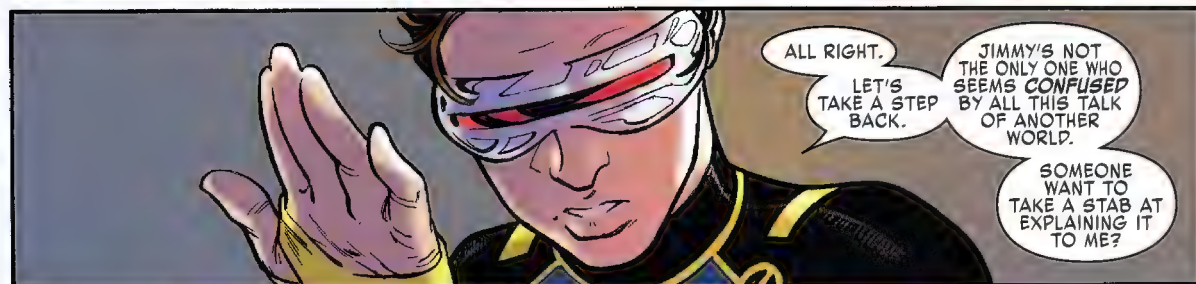


I'M SORRY  
I TRIED TO  
HURT YOU.

I THINK...  
MAYBE... I'VE  
HURT A LOT OF  
PEOPLE.

WHEREVER I  
WAS...THE ONLY  
THING I CAN  
REMEMBER...

...IS  
PAIN.

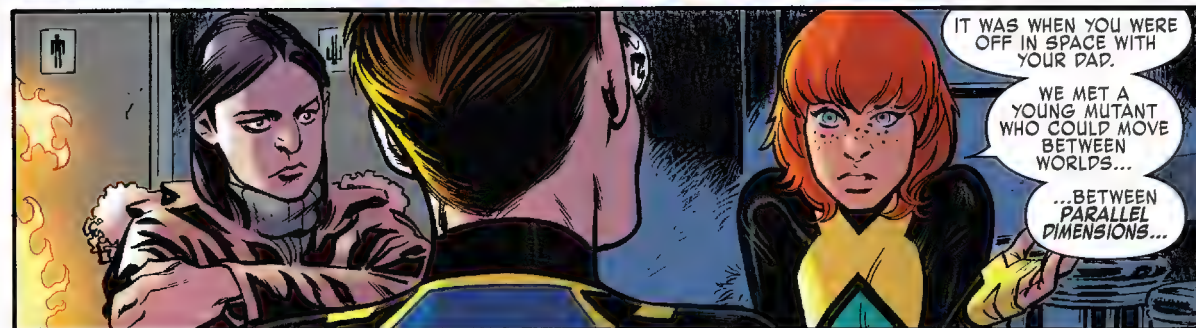


ALL RIGHT.

LET'S  
TAKE A STEP  
BACK.

JIMMY'S NOT  
THE ONLY ONE WHO  
SEEMS **CONFUSED**  
BY ALL THIS TALK  
OF ANOTHER  
WORLD.

SOMEONE  
WANT TO  
TAKE A STAB AT  
EXPLAINING IT  
TO ME?

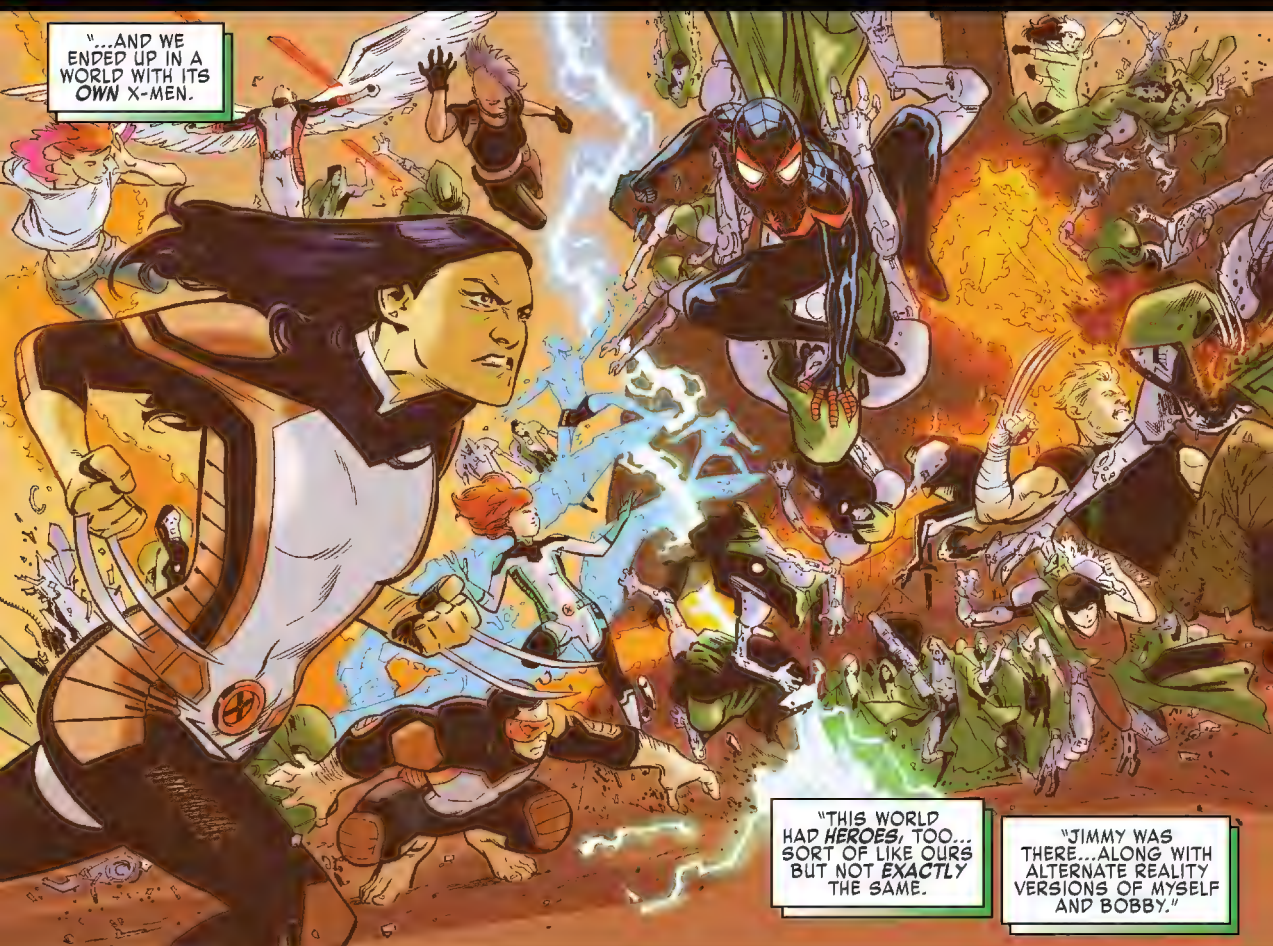


IT WAS WHEN YOU WERE  
OFF IN SPACE WITH  
YOUR DAD.

WE MET A  
YOUNG MUTANT  
WHO COULD MOVE  
BETWEEN  
WORLDS...

...BETWEEN  
PARALLEL  
DIMENSIONS...

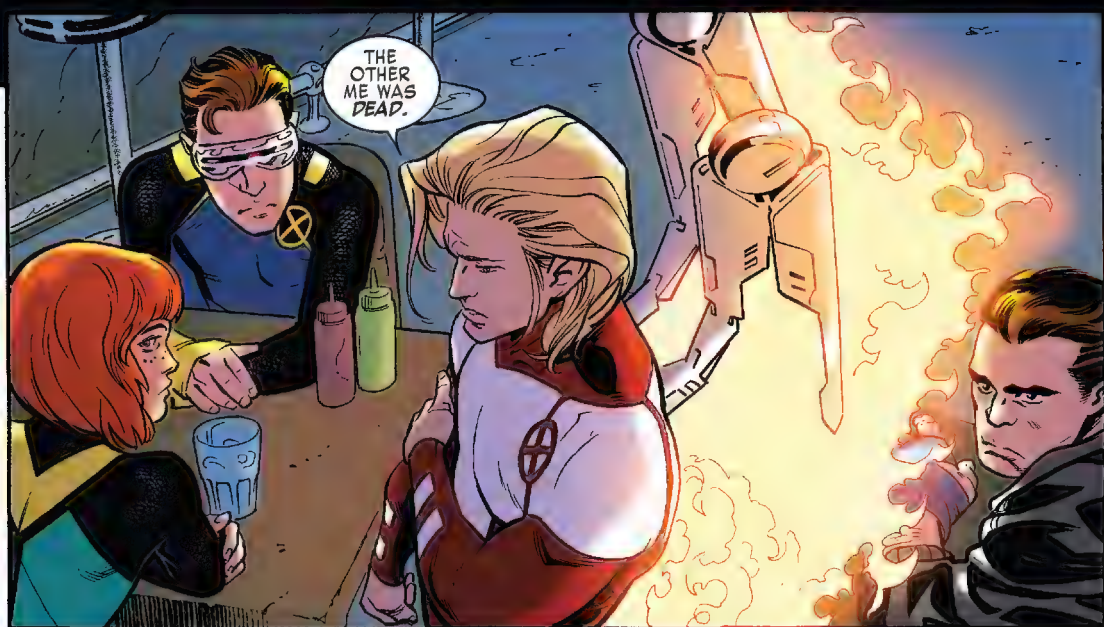




"...AND WE  
ENDED UP IN A  
WORLD WITH ITS  
OWN X-MEN.

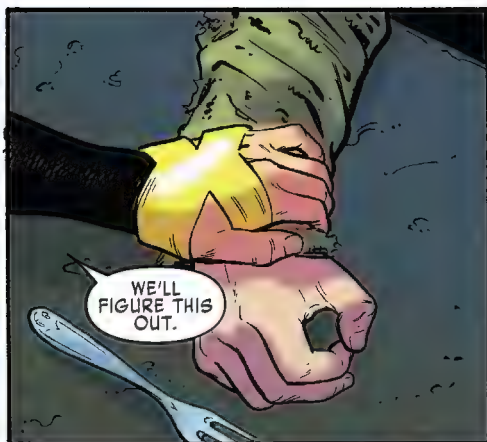
"THIS WORLD  
HAD **HEROES**, TOO...  
SORT OF LIKE OURS  
BUT NOT **EXACTLY**  
THE SAME.

"JIMMY WAS  
THERE...ALONG WITH  
ALTERNATE REALITY  
VERSIONS OF MYSELF  
AND BOBBY."



THE  
OTHER  
ME WAS  
DEAD.









WE'RE  
HERE FOR OUR  
COMPANION.

WE NEVER  
LEAVE A MAN  
BEHIND.

**NOMI BLUME.  
MACH-II.**

**HISAKO ICHIKI.  
ARMOR.**

**DEREK MORGAN.  
THE GUARDIAN.**

**PIETRO  
LENSHERR.  
QUICKSILVER.**

**THE NEW  
MARAUDERS.**  
NOT FROM THIS UNIVERSE.

**TO BE  
CONTINUED!**



# LETTERS TO MADRIPPOOR

SEND YOUR THOUGHTS ON *X-MEN BLUE* TO OFFICEX@MARVEL.COM. MARK YOUR MAIL "OK TO PRINT"!

**Hey, X-Fans! It's with great pleasure and enthusiasm that we present our first letters page for *X-MEN BLUE*! We got a ton of emails from you guys, so let's jump right in (some letters edited for space):**

So let me explain:

I've been a fan of the O5 (nice little pop culture reference in the letters page, Mr. Bunn) since a few years ago. I really got into them through the original ALL-NEW X-MEN series, which I got into through older X-Men stuff, which I got into through X-MEN: EVOLUTION, which...well, it's complicated. Let's just say I've been with the team for a while. After the changes the squad went through with Mr. Hopeless, I'll admit it, I was hoping for a bit of the old flair. And now I've got it!

Black Tom and Cain Marko--man, I've always loved that pair, and fighting my favorite time-displaced nerds? Just awesome. And the Wendigo! All my favorite older characters! I love that Jeannie's leading the charge, and Hank using sorcery is always a nice touch. Bobby and Scott's quips are awesome, Warren wanting the boat was cool, and I love that Magneto is running the show now--from Madripoor! Madripoor is awesome!

And the Wolverine at the end (Which one? No one knows!) is interesting. Of course, I was gunning for it to be Laura, but this guy...is it younger Logan? It's not Daken, right? Who is this guy? Is he the Ultimate guy? You can't just leave me like this!

The art was pretty cool, and I love the new costume designs. I'm excited to see where this series goes in that area, too.

All in all, awesome issue. I can't wait 'til next month. Please keep the kids alive for me.

A.  
United States

(P.S. I've never been featured on a letters page, so if you guys read this, it'll mean a lot.)

***I'm a fan of the O5, too, and I love the fact that we get new adventures with them in present-day Marvel. The possibilities are limitless, and Cullen has so many great ideas I'm exploding with excitement. And yes, by now the cat is out of the bag. It***

***IS that Ultimate guy...Jimmy Hudson, the son of the Logan from the Ultimate Universe. As a fish out of water, he'll be at home with our X-Men...or will he?***

Dear X-Men Team,

I have just read and thoroughly enjoyed X-MEN BLUE #1! I have been a big Jean Grey fan since I was a little girl and received the Marvel Legends Phoenix action figure for Christmas! It's so good to see her as the team leader. (I'm just going to skip past the Magneto thing for now!)

Some of my favorite reads include: DARK PHOENIX SAGA; PHOENIX ENDSONG; X-MEN: FIRST CLASS; X-MEN ORIGINS: JEAN GREY #1 and ALL-NEW X-MEN! I'm excited to see what comes next from X-MEN BLUE and I am sure it will become another classic! Especially with covers like the Jack Kirby variant!

Make Mine Marvel!

Ellie Egleton  
Shepperton, England

***Thanks, Ellie. To you and all of Jean's fans, be sure to pick up JEAN GREY #1 on sale now by former O5 scribe Dennis Hopeless and the very talented Victor Ibáñez.***

Dear BLUE Team,

Congratulations on the new book. I liked it from start to finish. The part I liked most--and which caught me completely by surprise--was seeing Beast performing magic. We have seen him performing magic rituals with tools, but making a seal just like that? Wow. You've got the makings of a young Victor Von Doom there! Can't wait to see what's next.

And speaking of next, did my eyes deceive me, or are you truly bringing back Molly Hayes from the future? She grew up to be a kick-ass human tank, but she didn't seem like she wanted to be in the Brotherhood. Is she back with them now? So many questions!

I wish you good luck in this new book!

Regards,  
Christian Hernandez



***So many questions and so many answers we just can't spoil yet, Christian! Yeah, I love the fact that Hank is fascinated by magic. But just how far will he go to master it?***

WOW! Before X-MEN GOLD #1 or BLUE #1 were released I was excited, but I thought GOLD would be what I enjoyed. However, BLUE BLEW me away--pun intended. Great job, guys, and I can't wait for issue #2.

As far as a name for the letters page, how about "Cerebro"?

Ryan Longacre

***GOLD is a great series but I'm partial to BLUE so I'm in your camp, Ryan. As for the letters page, Assistant Editor extraordinaire Christina Harrington came up with one I couldn't resist. Hope you like it too.***

Merry Mutant Missives!

How's that for a column name? I think it's great and pays tribute to their unused original name. Plus, you cannot go wrong with alliteration.

I have to tell you now that since I first got the book I've re-read it at least twice a day, and sometimes three times--basically any time I'm near my phone or computer, I'm reading X-MEN BLUE! It's kind of unfair to all the other comics how good yours is. You definitely have a subscription from me, and I'm going to be promoting the heck out of this book to my friends.

I'm so glad one of my favorite things from ALL-NEW X-MEN isn't getting swept under the rug... or in this case, swept into a Hell portal to Siberia. Hank's journey toward becoming a sorcerer was such a cool deviation from his furry blue older self.

What are the chances of the Champions and these guys and gal teaming up? I mean, Scott is on both teams, so why not, right?

Also, if that person in the backup story is who I think he is, then I am mega pumped for future issues...but then again, I already was.

Till Angel buys all the party yachts,  
Make Mine Marvel!

Samuel Nicley

***You're making us all blush, Samuel. Thanks for the kind words. I think you'll really dig where some of these plotlines are heading, especially Hank's. Cullen has a bunch of surprises up his sleeve. Also, I want to thank artists Jorge Molina and Matteo Buffagni along with colorist Matt Milla for making the first issue such a visual treat. And of course I always have to thank my letterers because, well...without them you can't read a comic. And these guys do more work than you'll ever know. Joe Caramagna, I love ya!***

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***Keep your comments and letters coming. Send them to [OFFICEX@MARVEL.COM](mailto:OFFICEX@MARVEL.COM) and be sure to mark them "OK to print."***

***See you next issue and remember, Forever X!***



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# HOUSE OF X

#XMENMONDAY has become one of the great joys of this X-Men Group Editor gig. Being able to interact with fans throughout the day is pretty X-ing cool...it's fun, energizing, inspiring (believe it or not) and gives me a sense of what kinds of things you dig...or don't. Interacting with comic book fans is nothing new. Letter columns have been around since the 1940s and, while limited and not very timely by today's standards, they serve the important function of connecting the reader to the editors and creators.

It goes without saying that I can't answer every question, but understand how vital your input is to those of us who work in the House of X. You let us know what you like, what you love and, of course, what you don't. That's valuable. Admittedly, sometimes it stings a bit when you don't like what we've done. And sometimes it gives us that extra spring in our step when you do. And sometimes it's just a plain old delight to read some of the fun stuff you guys write.

So keep making Monday the best day of the week by letting us know what you think (yes, even if it's bad). The connection started all those decades ago with the original letter columns is still very important to us. We make these books for you, and your opinions count.

Speaking of books to comment on, here's our comment-worthy checklist:

## X-MEN GOLD:

By Marc Guggenheim and R.B. Silva. Kitty Pryde takes charge and leads a new team into a heroic age!  
*Issue #4 on sale now!*

## X-MEN BLUE:

By Cullen Bunn and Julian Lopez. The time-displaced original five join their greatest enemy, Magneto. Evil mutants, you're toast!  
*Issue #5 on sale 6/14/17!*

## WEAPON X:

By Greg Pak and Greg Land. The Weapon X program is back, but this time they are building weapons of mutant destruction. Old Man Logan, Sabretooth and a team of stealthy killers take the bloody battle back to them.  
*Issue #3 on sale now!*

## ALL-NEW WOLVERINE:

By Tom Taylor and Leonard Kirk. A virus from another world threatens to wipe out mankind. Kicking off an epic tale that will take Laura Kinney to the stars.  
*Issue #20 on sale now!*

## GENERATION X:

By Christina Strain and Amilcar Pinna. Jubilee and a band of mutant misfits in the new Xavier Institute. What could go wrong? EVERYTHING!  
*Issue #1 on sale now!*

## JEAN GREY:

By Dennis Hopeless and Víctor Ibáñez. She's the leader of X-MEN BLUE, but what does she do in her spare time? What would you do if you had a premonition of the Phoenix Force returning?  
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## CABLE:

By James Robinson and Carlos Pacheco. A new villain is traveling through time to assemble a doomsday weapon. Cable's most dangerous mission ever!  
*Debuts 5/31/17!*

## ICEMAN:

By Sina Grace and Alessandro Vitti. The coolest hero on the planet, Bobby Drake the elder, in super-hero solo adventures.  
*Debuts this June!*

## OLD MAN LOGAN:

By Ed Brisson and Mike Deodato Jr. The Maestro! Old Man Logan! Deodato! 'Nuff said!  
*First chapter (issue #25) debuts this June!*

## ASTONISHING X-MEN:

By Charles Soule and a murderers' row of chart-topping and up-and-coming artists. Fan-favorite characters battle one of the X-Men's most dangerous foes!  
*Debuts this July!*

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